IN THE CLAIMS:

The new claims are as follows:

20. (New) A method for selecting a class for use by a virtual machine in a data processing system, the method comprising:

providing through a browser, an interface in which the interface allows for selection of a class location for use by the virtual machine;

receiving a selection of a class location through the interface; and storing the class location, wherein the class location is used by the browser to load a class when initializing the virtual machine.

- 21. (New) The method of claim 20, wherein the class location is a class path.
- 22. (New) The method of claim 20, wherein the class location is stored in a user profile data structure.

REMARKS

Claims 1-19 are pending in the present application. Claims 20-22 have been added. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

I. 35 U.S.C. § 102, Anticipation

The examiner has rejected claims 1-19 under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as being anticipated by Monday, U.S. Patent No. 6,263,377 ("Monday)". This rejection is respectfully traversed.

In rejecting the claims, the examiner stated:

As to claim 1, Monday teaches (column 3, lines 30-56) selecting classes (distributed applications), providing through a browser a graphical interface (GUI selection screen) that allows for selection of classes, receiving a selection of classes through the interface (check for selected files), storing the selection of classes (write class to directory), initializing (block 304, Fig. 3), and Java Virtual Machine (Java, column 2, lines 60-63, Note: virtual machine is inherent in Java.)

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